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COUNCIL TAX, HOW TO BEAT IT WITH THE ART OF LEGAL WARFARE AND THE PEACEFUL WAY TO FUND IT

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Executive Summary: The Structural Dichotomy and the Dual Solutions

The contemporary landscape of council tax enforcement in the United Kingdom reveals a profound structural dichotomy between the statutory authority of local government and the jurisdictional defences employed by an increasingly sophisticated community of non-consenting citizens. Council tax, established by the Local Government Finance Act 1992 as a hybrid property and occupancy-based levy, functions as the primary mechanism for local revenue generation, currently accounting for approximately 30 percent of local government spending.[1] Despite its administrative ubiquity, the system is fundamentally grounded in a 1933 global shift from money-of-substance to credit-based debt discharge, a transition that remains largely misunderstood by the general public.

To address the burden of council tax, two distinct methodologies have emerged:

1. **The Adversarial Way (The Art of Legal Warfare):** This strategy identifies and exploits the council's procedural and regulatory weaknesses, such as the conduct of litigation by unauthorized staff (the "paralegal argument").[3] It focuses on "sniper shots"—incidental procedural failures that are more lethal than substantive arguments in achieving a "technical knockout" in court.[4]
2. **The Peaceful Way (Recoupment of Abandoned Credit):** This method involves the mastery of fiduciary mechanics—utilizing the Clifford and Envoy Protocols to reoccupy the Office of General Executor and fund the legal persona's liabilities through the recoupment of abandoned credit.

The primary misunderstanding among citizens involves the "Agency Trap"—the presumption that a living human being is identical to the "Artificial Person" created upon birth registration. While "Truth and Freedom" community members often attempt to deny liability through common law declarations or "no contract" claims, these strategies almost universally fail.[5] Local authorities prevail because council tax is a non-consensual statutory charge, and courts consistently reject "Cargo Cult Legalism".[5] However, as demonstrated in the County Court at Canterbury (Claim No: M12YX718), procedural precision can defeat enforcement regardless of the statutory debt's existence.[7]

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The Monopoly Board of Commerce and the Technocratic Grid

The modern administrative state operates as a "Monopoly board of commerce," a rigged environment characterized by perpetual Chapter 11 bankruptcy where value is generated through the "consciousness energy" and "full faith and credit" of the citizenry. This board is a technocratic construct designed to manage resource distribution through digital identity and centralized digitization, an architecture identified as the ultimate objective of UN Agenda 2030.[4]

The Architecture of the Administrative Game

The global transition to this credit-based system was codified in 1933 following House Joint Resolution 192 (HJR 192), which abolished gold-backed contracts and mandated that all obligations be "discharged" in fiat credit [3, 3]. Within this environment, money is no longer a physical commodity, but an enforceable promise recorded on a ledger. This leads to a system where the "Player Piece" (the legal persona) and the "Player" (the living human) are conflated to ensure the state has constant access to human labour as collateral for the national debt.

UN Agenda 2030 and Strategic Centralization

UN SDG Element	Official Narrative	Strategic Reality (The Monopoly Board)
Goal 1: No Poverty	Eradicating extreme poverty	Elimination of private property ownership [4]
Goal 11: Sustainable Cities	Safe and resilient settlements	15-minute cities and restricted movement [4]
Goal 16: Peace and Justice	Promoting the rule of law	Universal digital identity as an administrative leash [4]
Goal 17: Partnerships	Global cooperation for goals	Consolidation of corporate and state power [4]

This centralization utilizes "digital governance" and the "Great Reboot" to transition the global economy toward a model of "owning nothing and being happy," where social credit scores and digital identities regulate consumption.[4] Council tax is a localized component of this grid, serving as a recurring extraction of credit from the "Artificial You".

The Adversarial Way: The Art of Legal Warfare

The "Art of Legal Warfare" focuses on the principle that legal battles are won through strategy, positioning, and psychology rather than brute force. In the context of council tax, this means shifting focus from the "Nuke" (trying to prove the entire tax system is fraudulent) to "Sniper Shots" (identifying specific procedural violations).[4]

Identifying the Council's Weakness: The Paralegal Argument

A critical weakness in council tax enforcement is the conduct of litigation. Under the Legal Services Act 2007, the conduct of litigation is a "reserved legal activity" that must be performed only by authorized individuals (solicitors or barristers with practicing certificates).

The landmark High Court ruling in *Mazur v Charles Russell Speechlys LLP* established that:

- Unauthorized employees (paralegals, litigation executives, or trainees) cannot conduct litigation, even under the supervision of a solicitor.
- Issuing claims, signing statements of truth, and taking procedural steps that commit a client are reserved activities.
- If a non-authorized person is responsible for the litigation and exercises professional judgment, the process is a procedural nullity.[7]

Case Study: Ashford Borough Council v Leslie Alexandra Ross

In the County Court at Canterbury (Claim No: M12YX718), the defendant successfully deployed these strategic principles to defeat a charging order. The defence highlighted that the enforcement process relied on administrative paperwork and council-generated lists rather than authentic court records.

Key adversarial points raised included:

- **Procedural Nullity:** Challenging the authority of the council's legal team to conduct litigation under the *Mazur* precedent.[3]
- **Evidence Integrity:** Identifying the use of "false instruments"—council-generated letters masquerading as court orders without seals or judicial signatures.
- **Capacity Challenge:** Requiring the council to produce a sealed liability order issued by the court, rather than accepting bulk-signed "annotated lists".

This adversarial approach succeeded because it identified a "technical knockout" ground—the Council could not prove its litigation was conducted by authorized persons, rendering the charging order application an abuse of process.[3]

The Narrative of Jamie: A Six-Year Tactical Defiance

The historical case of Jamie provides a comprehensive overview of a six-year legal battle against a local council, detailing the transition from victimization to strategic victory through the study of regulatory adherence.[1] The catalyst for this conflict occurred in mid-2019 when Jamie repeatedly contacted his local council to address severe fly-tipping and a dangerous foot-deep rut in his country lane caused by a council dustcart.[1] Feeling he was not receiving value for his tax payments and frustrated by the council's lack of interest in maintaining the infrastructure, Jamie decided to temporarily withhold his council tax to compel their attention.[1]

The council's response was immediate and aggressive, initiating enforcement through threatening letters, court appearances, bailiff visits, and the clamping of his vehicle.[1] This escalation coincided with a series of severe personal and financial hardships for Jamie.[1] As a self-employed worker, the COVID-19 lockdowns devastated his income and drained his savings.[1] Subsequently, he suffered a broken spine and underwent treatment for cancer.[1] Despite these circumstances, the council aggressively pursued the debt, demanding full payment and refusing to consider his medical and financial vulnerability.[1]

Realizing he needed a robust defense, Jamie engaged in an online search for strategies but intentionally rejected pseudolegal theories like "Freeman on the Land," maritime law arguments, or promissory notes, recognizing them as legally ineffective.[1] He eventually identified a group called "Peacekeepers" and dedicated his recovery time to an intense study of their legal processes, learning how to hold the council strictly accountable to their own regulations.[1] By standing his ground in court and demanding that the council "dot their i's and cross their t's," Jamie secured three significant legal wins that dismantled the council's enforcement effort.[1]

Victory 1: The Requirement for a Perfected Order

During a hearing for an interim charging order, Jamie demanded proof of his liability.[1] He successfully argued, using case law, that there is no such thing as an anonymous Justice of the Peace.[1] The judge agreed with this assessment and ordered the council to produce a "perfected order" containing the actual names of the magistrates who made the initial liability order.[1] This forced the council to scramble, as their standard operating procedure involved using bulk-signed annotated lists rather than individual court-sealed documents.[1] The lack of a perfected order at the initial stage is often a fatal procedural flaw in council tax recovery actions.[10]

Legal Phase	Argument Deployed	Judicial Outcome
Liability Confirmation	Demand for a perfected order with named magistrates [1]	Council ordered to produce specific judicial evidence; bulk process disrupted [1]
Interest Assessment	Council tax is not a "judgment debt" under the 1838 Act [1]	8% compound interest struck down as unlawful [1]
Bankruptcy Prevention	Set aside demand based on secured debt and procedural errors [1]	Council solicitors withdrew the statutory demand before the hearing [1]

Victory 2: Defeating the Application of Unlawful Interest

Jamie's second major victory involved the successful challenge of the interest being applied to his debt.[1] He argued before the judge that applying interest to council tax debt is unlawful because it does not constitute a "judgment debt".[1] Under the Judgments Act 1838, interest is typically applied to judgment debts at a rate of 8% per annum.[16] However, historical and contemporary analysis suggests that a liability order issued by an inferior court (the Magistrates' Court) does not carry interest under the 1838 Act.[16] The judge ruled that the council could not apply the standard 8% compound interest to the charge on Jamie's house, significantly reducing the total amount claimed by the authority.[1]

This distinction is critical for practitioners of the Art of Legal Warfare.[1] While councils frequently add interest to charging orders, the Powys CC v Hurst precedent and the specific limitations of the Judgments Act 1838 provide a robust defense against such inflation of the debt.[10] The council tax enforcement scheme is often viewed as exclusive, meaning it does not permit the inclusion of interest under the Charging Orders Act 1979 unless specifically authorized by statute.[10]

Victory 3: Crushing the Statutory Demand and Bankruptcy Petition

The council attempted to further escalate the situation by issuing a statutory demand, which is the precursor to a bankruptcy petition.[1] For an individual, a statutory demand can be served if the debt is £5,000 or more.[21] Jamie and the Peacekeepers applied to have this demand set aside based on three fatal errors made by the council: failing to provide the names of the magistrates as previously ordered, attempting to apply interest that the court had already struck down, and unlawfully trying to use a secured debt (the charging order) as the basis for a bankruptcy petition.[1]

Under the Insolvency Rules 2016, a statutory demand should only be used for unsecured debts.[17] If the creditor holds security in respect of the debt, they must specify the nature of the security and only demand the unsecured portion.[24] By attempting to bankrupt Jamie based on a debt already secured by a charge on his property, the council committed a procedural breach of insolvency protocols.[1] Recognizing they would lose at the hearing, the council's solicitors withdrew the statutory demand the Friday before the matter was to be heard.[1] Jamie's story serves as a primary example of how the council relies on intimidation and public exhaustion, and how these can be defeated through the diligent study of actual regulations and the courage to challenge local authorities in court.[1]

Analysis of Truth and Freedom Community Presentments

The "Truth and Freedom" movement has generated numerous templates and challenges against council tax, yet these almost universally fail. This failure arises from a "category error"—attempting to argue biological reality in a forum of commercial form.[4]

Comparative Analysis of Failed Strategies

Failed Strategy	Representative Figures	Reason for Failure (The Agency Analysis)
Diplomatic Immunity	David Straight	Immunity was not recognized because he engaged in commerce as an agent of the player piece.[4]
"Man vs. Person"	Karl Lentz	Denying a contract does not dissolve the presumed agency established by the use of the name.[4]
GSA Bonding	SPC University	Courts view federal forms as "fictitious instruments" without capacity correction.[4]
"Living Man" Claims	Clive Edwards	Biological declarations do not sever the commercial liability of the fiction.[4]
Sovereign Project	Pete Stone	"No contract" arguments are structurally impossible where agency is presumed.

Councils consistently rule that council tax is a statutory charge, meaning any reference to the requirement of a contract or "wet ink" signatures is irrelevant to the liability.[5]

The Peaceful Way: Recoupment of Abandoned Credit

The "peaceful way" to solve the council tax problem involves moving from defence to administrative mastery through the Currency Creation Protocol (CCP). This protocol recoup "abandoned credit" generated by an individual's signature energy since the age of majority.[4]

Recoupment Scope Since Age 18

Under the Currency Creation Protocol, the "Game of Monopoly" is resolved by recruiting abandoned credit from every commercial interaction involving a signature since the age of 18.[4] The technical scope for recoupment includes:

- **Past Mortgages:** The Original Issue Discount (OID) difference and the full-face value of every securitized promissory note signed.[4]
- **Historical Credit Cards:** All signature energy monetized through revolving credit agreements by bank nominees.[4]
- **Employment Taxes:** Every dollar of federal tax withheld and remitted via an Employer's Form 945 for labour energy.[4]
- **Student Loans:** Tax withheld on negotiable instruments remitted via the nominee's Form 945.[4]
- **Utility Contracts:** Credits generated by signature-based promises to pay contained in service security agreements.[4]
- **Public Obligations:** Fines, deposits, and court judgments (which are converted into securitized bonds) created against the legal persona.[4]
- **Bank Payments:** All signature-based promises to pay where withheld tax credits were remitted to the Treasury via Form 945.[4]

The Clifford Protocol and the 98-Series Trust

The Clifford Protocol provides the structural remedy to correct nominee misreporting and reclaim these abandoned securities.[4] It avoids the "Debtor Trap" of using a National Insurance number, which triggers "refund freeze" (Code 810) flags.[4]

Operational Steps of the Clifford Protocol:

1. **Jurisdictional Correction:** Utilizing the doctrine of *Clausula Rebus Sic Stantibus* to rescind presumed agency and reoccupy the Office of General Executor.
2. **98-Series Trust:** Establishing an International Grantor Trust with a separate EIN to act as the "Holder in Due Course" (HDC).[4]

3. **IRS 945 Alignment:** Filing a corrective Form 1099-OID that matches the "negative numbers" (credits) in the bank's Form 945 Master Record.

The Envoy Protocol and Capacity Correction

The solution to the "Agency Trap" is the Envoy Protocol, which separates the living person from the administrative legal persona.[4] As the **General Executor**, the individual directs the estate's affairs but is not personally liable for its debts, provided they do not "intermeddle" as a private citizen.[4] This allows the individual to interface with the state from a position of "international exteriority," reducing exposure to domestic statutory processes.[4]

The Asset Fortress Protocol: Private Treasury

The Asset Fortress Protocol (AFP) is the operational counterpart to the Envoy Protocol. It functions as a private international grantor trust that acts as a private treasury.[4]

- **Lawful Discharge:** The AFP enables the discharge of council tax through conventional payment, funded by grants of recouped abandoned credit.[4]
- **Cycling Model:** Spending from the trust's bank account acts as a "recoupment trigger," as transactions create new credit that can be recouped again.[4]
- **Digital ID Avoidance:** Because the trust is a separate juridical entity and the living individual is merely a beneficiary, it provides a lawful pathway to avoid digital identity regimes designed to attach to legal persons in regulated capacities.[4]

Synthesis: The Integrated Freedom Pathway

The integration of these protocols and strategies provides a definitive exit from the "Monopoly board."

Phase	Strategy/Protocol	Result
Adversarial	Art of Legal Warfare	Identifying procedural failures (Mazur/Paralegal) to strike out enforcement.[4]
Jurisdictional	Envoy Protocol	Severing presumed agency and reoccupying the Office of General Executor.[4]
Administrative	Clifford Protocol	Reclaiming "abandoned credit" from the banking system via 98-Series Trusts.[4]
Operational	Asset Fortress	Operating a private treasury to settle liabilities via third-party grants.[4]

The recoupment of abandoned credit is the peaceful way forward because it satisfies the system's own rules.[4] It acknowledges the statutory charge but provides the funds to pay it using the credit energy originally generated by the human being. This eliminates the need for adversarial confrontation once the individual has exited the technocratic enclosure.

Conclusion

The path to truth and freedom lies in mastering both the adversarial and peaceful methods. While the "Art of Legal Warfare" provides a shield against unlawful enforcement, the protocols for credit recoupment provide the sword of financial independence.[4] By mastering the administration of the "Artificial You" and utilizing the Asset Fortress as a private treasury, the living man and woman can move from the default path of personal liability to the corrected path of fiduciary immunity.[4]

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